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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

- 1. In connection with the forthcoming Presidential review of U. S. Cuban policy, it will be necessary to provide the DCI with an independent CIA assessment of the current Cuban situation and outlook and with recommended courses of action which the DCI can use as appropriate.
- 2. I would like DD/I to assemble, in conjunction with ONE, SAS, and other offices as necessary, the assessment of the situation in Cuba and its outlook, with particular emphasis on the growing volume of trade between Cuba and the free world and the effect this has on the Cuban future. The memo should also include updated descriptions of the Cuban political and military situations.
- 3. In the light of this assessment, the same task force which prepared in December 1963 a think piece on proposed courses of action in Cuba should be reactivated to provide a fresh reading of proposed U. S. policies. This would involve DD/I working in close cooperation with SAS.
- 4. I suggest that this project be completed in about 10 days!

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